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... PRESIDENT—Carrying submachine gun, an President Jose Figueres after shootout hijackers in San Jose Sunday. Story Page 5.

Death Was Unplanned

... The opposition having declared it would leave not a single bone of the two treaties unscathed, it came as little surprise that the first point of dispute was on procedure.

IRA Admits Ulster Senator

... Stormont (Northern Ireland) administration. Mrs. Barnhill said the gunman shot her husband as he opened the front door.

Airlines Add a \$2 Surcharge To All Transatlantic Flights

... GENEVA, Dec. 13 (NYT)—The basic agreement on fares reached in Honolulu last month by the major airlines flying the North Atlantic has been formally approved for entry into force next April 1 for one year.

Debate On In Bonn on East Pacts

Opposition Opens Bundesrat Attack

By David Binder BONN, Dec. 13 (NYT)—The government of Chancellor Willy Brandt submitted its 1970 good-will treaties with the Soviet Union on Monday to parliament today, starting the complex ratification process, and immediately got into a quarrel with the opposition on procedure.

New Cambodia Battle Looms; 6,600 GIs Pull Out in a Week

SAIGON, Dec. 13 (UPI)—Thousands of South and North Vietnamese Army troops maneuvered into position today for a new round of battles in eastern Cambodia, letting irregular guerrillas and militia men fight it out in South Vietnam.



French President Georges Pompidou and American President Richard Nixon greeting each other yesterday in Angra do Heroismo, on Terceira Island in Azores.

At Nixon-Pompidou Summit

Trade, Monetary Accords Linked

By James Goldsborough ANGRA DE HEROISMO, Azores, Dec. 13 (UPI)—The road to a cross-Atlantic trade and monetary agreement seemed clear today when both American and French officials agreed to link the two in an ultimate agreement that would end the current monetary crisis.

U.S. Envoy Attacks Indian 'Defiance'

UN Delays Vote on U.S. Cease-Fire Motion By Anthony Astrachan UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., Dec. 13 (UPI)—The Security Council adjourned at 12:35 a.m. today without voting on a U.S. proposal to demand that India comply with the General Assembly's call for a cease-fire and troop withdrawal on the subcontinent.

Indian Chutists Report Piercing Dacca Defenses

NEW DELHI, Dec. 13—Indian paratroopers reportedly smashed through the outer defenses of Dacca today as the Pakistani commander in the beleaguered capital vowed anew to "fight on to the last."

But Soviet Fleet Is Strengthened

MOSCOW, Dec. 13 (NYT)—The Soviet press agency, Tass, tonight accused the United States of "gunboat diplomacy" and "gross blackmail" against India with its reported movement of an American naval squadron into the Indian Ocean from the Gulf of Tonkin.

U.S. Uses Gunboat Diplomacy In Indian Ocean, Russia Says

By Hedrick Smith into the Indian Ocean from the Gulf of Tonkin. While the Pentagon, in Washington, confirmed today the naval task force's move, it played down prospects of involvement of the U.S. ships, saying only that they would as a last resort help evacuate foreign nationals in East Pakistan.

Astrologer Says War Can End On Thursday

NEW DELHI, Dec. 13 (Reuters)—A noted Indian astrologer has predicted that the Indian-Pakistani war may end Thursday.

Kashmir, advancing on the Rajasthan desert front below Kashmir and threatening Pakistan's territory in the Rann of Kutch, the great salt marsh in the far south. Pakistan said its troops repulsed an attack in the Sialkot area north of Lahore and consolidated their gains in southern Kashmir and the Rajasthan.

Calcatta Communists In Solidarity March

CALCUTTA, Dec. 13 (UPI)—Indian Communists marched to the Soviet Consulate in a show of support today, then attacked the downtown ticket office of Pan American World Airways with gasoline bombs and rocks.

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India's Foreign Minister Sardar Swaran Singh listening to UN Security Council debate Sunday on Indo-Pakistani crisis.

Traditionally Above Politics

Tories Admit Civil Servants Rigger Queries in Commons

LONDON, Dec. 13 (UPI)—Environment Minister Peter Walker acknowledged today that the Conservative government had used civil servants, traditionally above politics, to ensure that pro-government questions were asked in the House of Commons.

"Amid roars of 'Shame!' and 'Resign!' from Labor party members, Mr. Walker defended the practice as normal and ethical. Involved in the tradition of the question hour—the first hour of meeting, except on Friday—when ministers rise to answer any question asked.

The furor, one of the noisiest in

the House of Commons this year, followed newspaper publication yesterday of a memorandum asking environment department civil servants to provide parliamentary questions "which could be 'planted' so as to forestall the opposition's onslaught."

Labor MPs accused the government of trying to "rig" question time in Parliament to squeeze out critical questions and of violating the rule that civil servants should be kept out of politics. They demanded an official investigation.

A Din of Jeers:

Through a din of Labor protests and jeers, Mr. Walker said government had long arranged for favorable questions to be asked by supporters "to ensure a fairer presentation of the work of a particular department." He said it had been normal for ministers to instruct their officials to provide the necessary material for "arranged questions."

Mr. Walker accused Labor MPs of "a concerted campaign" to monopolize question time twice in March with questions hostile to the housing and construction ministry, a subdivision of its environment department. He said the memorandum had been issued to establish a "bank" of pro-government questions at the request of Conservative MPs, who wanted to counter Labor.

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Talks Link Monetary, Trade Pacts

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He also said that French and Americans agreed that the conference would not be an appropriate forum to discuss force reductions.

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Presidential adviser for national security affairs Henry Kissinger did not participate in today's meetings other than to breakfast with Mr. Pompidou early this morning to set the agenda for the two days of meetings.

There will be a final tête-à-tête between Mr. Nixon and Mr. Pompidou tomorrow morning, after which the presidential spokesmen will give a detailed account of the discussions.

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Victor Louis Sees Russian, Israeli Envoy Exchange

TEL AVIV, Dec. 13 (AP)—The possibility that Israeli diplomats would work in the Dutch Embassy in Moscow and Soviet diplomats would be posted to the Finnish Embassy in Tel Aviv was suggested by Russian journalist Victor Louis in a dispatch to the Tel Aviv paper *Yediot Achronot* today.

Israel and the Soviet Union broke diplomatic relations in June 1967.

A Foreign Ministry spokesman here said: "This looks like a typical Victor Louis—a plant for good or other reasons. I know nothing about it."

Mr. Louis suggested the Israeli diplomats in Moscow would facilitate the departure of Russian Jewish emigrants to Israel. Mr. Louis said 100 Russian Jews were now being permitted to leave for Israel daily.

The Moscow-based journalist said the reason for the increased flow of Jewish emigration was that the Soviet airline, Aeroflot—the main carrier of emigrants to Vienna on their way to Israel—was in favor of it for economic reasons.

Bonn Opens Pact Debate

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role in the ratification process. Now it is clear whether the treaties will face a test on constitutionality in the supreme court. Some conservatives would like to use the machinery of both to block the treaties.

Nominally, however, it is up to the Bundestag, or lower house of parliament, to decide on the treaties and, if all goes according to the government's plans, the final test could come sometime in April.

Today's submission of the drafts was tied to the successful conclusion last Saturday of negotiations between Bonn and East Berlin, completing details of the four-power Berlin agreement. Mr. Brandt stated his ratification drafts Dec. 11, the same day.

The Soviet government has said it would not agree to enactment of the Berlin package until West Germany had ratified the 1970 good-will pacts.

In an effort to mollify the conservatives, the government disclosed the text of binding declarations made by Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko at the time of the 1970 pact conclusion.

The texts show that Mr. Gromyko acknowledged the right of the German nation to be reunited into one state, as called for by the Bonn Constitution.

UN Prolongs Stay Of Troops on Cyprus

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y., Dec. 13 (Reuters)—The Security Council, with China declining to participate in the vote, today approved the extension of the UN peace-keeping operation in Cyprus until June 15.

The resolution said it was expected that "by then substantial progress towards a final solution will be made possible by withdrawal or substantial reduction of the force," in which British troops make up the largest single contingent.

Anti-Russian Protest

SAN JOSE, Costa Rica, Dec. 13 (AP)—Thousands of women in mourning and chanting patriotic songs marched Saturday along the main avenue here to protest the opening of a Soviet embassy in Costa Rica. Men by the thousands joined in the demonstration.

U.K. to Go On With Sale of Arms to India

Douglas-Home Sees No General Embargo

LONDON, Dec. 13 (AP)—Foreign Secretary Sir Alec Douglas-Home announced today that Britain will fulfill its military contracts to India despite the war—but supplies will be subject to the closest supervision.

"The same supervision would be given to any orders from Pakistan which may be placed here," Sir Alec told the House of Commons. But he noted that Britain for some years has not been a regular supplier of Pakistan.

The foreign secretary's disclosure of Britain's decision to go on supplying the Indians followed behind-the-scenes efforts to discover if a general international ban could be imposed on the sale of weapons to the two combatants.

"I must report there is no prospect of any general embargo on the sale of arms," he said.

Pakistan Sees 'Hostility'

It appeared inevitable that the British decision to supply the Indians would anger the Pakistanis. Only today the government took steps to establish a "bank" of pro-government questions at the request of Conservative MPs, who wanted to counter Labor.

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India, Pakistan Diplomats to Be Traded Today

COLOMBO, Ceylon, Dec. 13 (NYT)—India and Pakistan will repatriate their diplomatic personnel tomorrow under the supervision of the Swiss Legation here.

About 300 members of the Indian and Pakistani diplomatic staffs are scheduled to arrive here tomorrow on special flights from Rawalpindi and New Delhi.

The selection of Colombo as the site for the exchange has been seen here as indicating that Ceylon's neutrality is accepted by both its two warring neighbors.

Chamb, Captured in 2 Wars, Is Little-Scarred Ghost Town

By Henry Kamm

and solid-looking one-story stone or stucco houses. According to Pakistani officers, the Indians evacuated the town when they began their assault on the mountain last month, and the port was raised by Indian planes again today.

India said today that Indian ships in the Bay of Bengal off Chittagong had sunk several boats carrying enemy soldiers in flight from the eastern fronts. The port was raised by Indian planes again today.

Turkey May Give Aid

ANKARA, Dec. 13 (AP)—Turkey has agreed to supply Pakistan with locally produced mortar, machine-gun and rifle ammunition, the usually well-informed Daily *Milliyet* reported tonight.

The decision came after a Pakistani request to Turkey, a Central Treaty Organization ally, last month, the paper added.

Sources said in November that Turkey would be unable to provide arms on a large scale, but might provide locally-made ammunition and weapons.

Canada Arrests Seven in Big Hashish Raid

EDMONTON, Canada, Dec. 13 (Reuters)—Seven U.S. citizens were arrested early today in the seizure of hashish valued at about \$2 million by the Royal Canadian Mounted Police.

They said they had intercepted 600 pounds of the drug at Red Deer Municipal Airport, 100 miles south of here, as it was about to be put aboard a U.S.-owned aircraft believed to be bound for Denver.

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viciously warned that its security interests are affected because the Indo-Pakistani war is near its borders and has interfered with the flow of goods from the Soviet Union to the Indian subcontinent. The Soviet Union today stepped up its consultations with the Indian government and related diplomatic tactics.

A special Indian embassy, reportedly bringing a personal message from Prime Minister Indira Gandhi for Premier Alexei N. Kosygin, met today with Foreign Ministry officials. Indian sources said that he expected to see Mr. Kosygin tomorrow.

Chamber in India Appeals to Nixon

NEW DELHI, Dec. 13 (NYT)—The Indo-American Chamber of Commerce, which represents 370 American and U.S.-connected companies in India, has urged President Nixon to repeal his policy toward India immediately.

The president of the chamber, A.I. Taylor, the regional manager of International Business Machines in India, said in a cable to Mr. Nixon that his immediate repeal of the policy would benefit the democratic traditions of the United States of America and violated basic humanitarian principles.

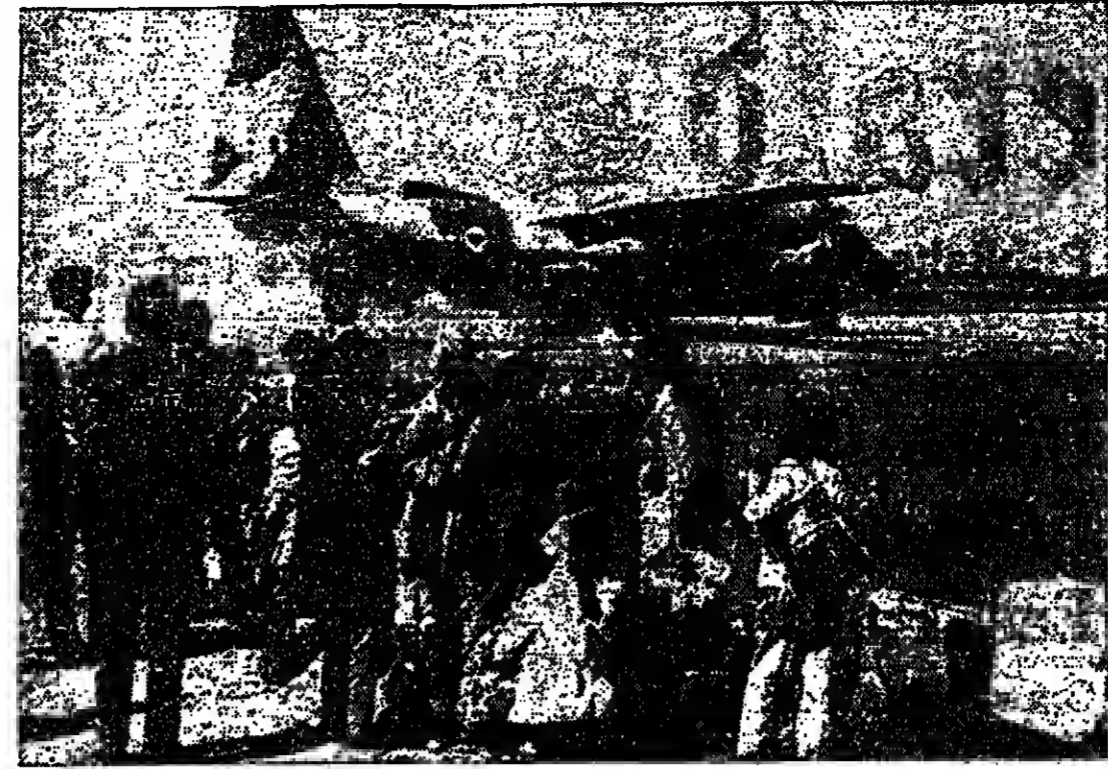
He asked the Nixon administration to re-establish friendly relations with India "before the relations are irretrievably sacrificed."

Apollon to Launch Pad

CAPTE KENNEDY, Dec. 13 (AP)—The Apollo-16 rocket and spacecraft were taken away from the launch pad for its scheduled March 17 blastoff.

WEATHER

City	Temp	Weather
ALABAMA	46	Partly cloudy
ALASKA	45	Partly cloudy
ARIZONA	46	Partly cloudy
ARKANSAS	46	Partly cloudy
CALIFORNIA	46	Partly cloudy
CANADA	46	Partly cloudy
CENTRAL AMERICA	46	Partly cloudy
CHINA	46	Partly cloudy
EUROPE	46	Partly cloudy
HAWAII	46	Partly cloudy
INDIA	46	Partly cloudy
JAPAN	46	Partly cloudy
MEXICO	46	Partly cloudy
MIDDLE EAST	46	Partly cloudy
NORTH AMERICA	46	Partly cloudy
PACIFIC	46	Partly cloudy
RUSSIA	46	Partly cloudy
SAUDI ARABIA	46	Partly cloudy
SOUTH AMERICA	46	Partly cloudy
TAIWAN	46	Partly cloudy
THAILAND	46	Partly cloudy
USSR	46	Partly cloudy
VIETNAM	46	Partly cloudy
WEST INDIES	46	Partly cloudy
WORLD	46	Partly cloudy



ON THE WAY OUT—European and American evacuees watch RAF transport plane land in East Pakistan city of Dacca yesterday; plane later flew them out to Singapore.

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local regime, the East Pakistani secessionist movement calling itself Bangladesh (Bengal nation), has promised to conform with Geneva convention rules on prisoners of war, as have India and Pakistan. The Red Cross said it is augmenting its medical units in the war zones to care for POWs and battle casualties.

Both Nations Continue Diplomatic Maneuvering

India, whose Prime Minister Indira Gandhi met for the second straight day with visiting Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister Vasiliy Kuznetsov, said it had detected Chinese troop movements designed to show political solidarity with Pakistan, although China "has nothing to gain" by intervening in the war. Mr. Kuznetsov was concluding his two-day visit here.

Later, an Indian spokesman said that certain intelligence reports indicated possible Chinese moves to help evacuate Pakistani troops from East Pakistan. He said the reports were still being evaluated.

Indian officials acknowledged today that President Nixon had not threatened U.S. intervention, as a French news agency said after Mrs. Gandhi yesterday publicly denounced a foreign country for allegedly citing treaty obligations to aid Pakistan. India's Foreign Ministry said, however, in a comment on reports that a U.S. naval task force was approaching for possible evacuation of Americans left in East Pakistan. "One does not need all that military might for the evacuation of a few citizens, unless it be part of some psychological pressure."

In Peking, Pakistani envoys were reported continuing intensive contacts with Chinese officials. There were conferences yesterday and today in Rawalpindi between the Chinese ambassador and the premier-designate of Pakistan's promised civilian government.

Djakarta reported that India has not responded to an Indonesian offer to mediate in the war.

Radio Pakistan reported that Maj. Gen. Iqbal Farman Ali, military adviser to the "Incaped" Pakistani civilian government of East Pakistan, has denied emphatically that he offered the United Nations surrender terms in the east. The terms were said to provide that home-rule elements would be given political power, although not the militant secessionists, in return for evacuation of the Pakistani Army.

India and Pakistan, both in poor economic shape before this war erupted on a full scale 11 days ago after months of border skirmishes, took steps to shore up their stricken economies. Pakistan imposed controls on the

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Vietnam's Millionaires
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By Fox Butterfield
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Urgent Libya Mission
For 2 Cairo Officials

CAIRO, Dec. 13 (AP)—Egyptian War Minister Mohammed Sadek and Minister of State for Foreign Affairs Murad Ghaleb have flown to Tripoli, Libya, on an "urgent mission," the authoritative newspaper Al Ahran reported today.

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DOG-GONE BIKE—Contessa, two-year-old French poodle, enjoys going out for a spin with her 11-year-old mistress in Edgartown, Mass. The easy riding method was her own idea, she wasn't trained for it, it says.

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Cooperating in Space

There have been so many remarkable space accomplishments since Sputnik-I went into orbit in 1957 that the tendency is to be blasé about even new advances. That probably explains the lack of excitement when Moscow revealed that it had successfully soft-landed a capsule on Mars and had received data from the Martian surface early this month.

Yet this was a remarkable achievement. Mars-3 traveled for months through tens of millions of miles across the great void of space. When it arrived it successfully parachuted the first man-made instruments to operate on and report from the surface of the planet. The Soviet scientists and engineers responsible for this major advance deserve worldwide admiration.

Meanwhile, it should not be forgotten that three instrumented capsules are now orbiting Mars. America's Mariner-9 and the Soviet Union's Mars-2 and 3. Mariner-9 has already been able to gain important new pictures and data about Mars as well as remarkable photographs of the two Martian moons. With three sets of instruments, including cameras, now trained on Mars in these orbiting vehicles, the outlook for a scientific bonanza is still good. In effect, what is now taking place is a joint Soviet-American scientific offensive against the still great volume of human ignorance about this planetary neighbor of earth.

The present study of Mars was the result of independent and uncoordinated decisions in Moscow and Washington, with the result that some duplication of effort is now taking place. The high cost of space research and the enormous scope of the work have made it plain for years that sooner or later there will have to be more coordination and cooperation than has yet taken place. But until recently, the tensions and competitive spirit of the cold war have prevented any rational integration of Soviet and American space research capabilities.

However, the present Washington-Moscow political thaw is having a salutary impact. The latest meeting of American and Soviet space officials resulted in a tentative agreement to carry out a docking experiment in which a United States Apollo vehicle and a Soviet Salyut vehicle will attempt to join in space and operate for some time as one integrated laboratory. This arrangement still has to be ratified by both governments, and there are still important technical and political problems to be solved. Nevertheless it is a major advance toward the ultimate goal of integrating all nations' capabilities into one vast joint space-research program. Every step toward the goal will help improve the political climate here on earth, thus facilitating peaceful cooperation in other and more mundane matters.

THE NEW YORK TIMES



Summiteers
MAULDIN

White House Brief on South Asia

The White House, with an assist from Sen. Barry Goldwater, has now revealed publicly what the United States did privately over the last eight months to ease the South Asia crisis. A "background" news conference with Henry A. Kissinger on Tuesday, which the senator was good enough to put into the Congressional Record on Thursday, establishes that in fact American officials did work to induce political compromise in Pakistan and military restraint in India. The record is at once so important and judgmental that it needs to be inspected in detail.

That its duress, including pressure from Washington, was affecting Pakistan is plain. As the White House noted, Islamabad replaced the cruel military governor in the East, offered formal amnesty to refugees who might choose to return and had agreed to restore a facade of civilian rule this month. President Mohammed Yahya Khan had agreed to talk to Calcutta representatives of Bangla Desh (the Bengal Nation proclaimed in former East Pakistan), though not to Sheikh Mujibur Rahman or his nominees. Sheikh Mujibur, the acknowledged and elected Bengali leader, is the Pakistanis' prisoner on trial for treason. Islamabad was reportedly ready to grant the East autonomy in everything but foreign policy, defense and currency. Further Pakistani concessions were expected in the week of Nov. 22.

stomach that course, does not alter the uncontented fact that the Americans knew from the start that this was the New Delhi position. By Nov. 19, or by Nov. 22, President Yahya had talked with no Bengalis. He had ruled out Mujibur and Mujibur's choices. He had said the autonomy he would grant would not cover foreign affairs, defense and currency—dominant heights of any country's public life. Eight months had passed. Refugees were continuing to pour in. Press reports of India's growing impatience were rampant. And presumably Washington was not altogether dependent on India's formal statements to learn the status of its preparations for open war.

Knowing now what the administration kept secret before, we are not so inclined to criticize the administration for its attitude as for its judgment. Through eight months of gathering misery and tension it stuck to a public posture of support for Pakistan on the ostensible grounds that it could apply more effective leverage. At the end, it had only persuaded Pakistan to promise talks—not yet to begin them—for a limited purpose with Bengalis whom the Indians regarded as stooges. And on this basis it expected India to hold still.

The Indians have been rough and irresponsible; they have encouraged and directly taken part in the dismemberment of a sovereign state. But could the war have been avoided if, early on, Washington had openly and entirely withdrawn support from Pakistan and demanded that it honor the free elections which Mujibur won and Yahya nullified in March? Was not the appearance of American favor crucial in allowing Yahya to sustain his misrule to the point where the Indians jumped him?

We note that, contrary to some accounts, evidence is lacking that the White House and State Department have different views on the crisis. The department on Dec. 4 had cited India as the aggressor. But the White House did not really shy away from this indictment as sharply as some reports made it seem; rather, it reinforced the indictment by offering a diplomatic record intended to show what peaceful possibilities the Indians had pre-empted.

In noting that the first charge of aggression came from State, the White House—the briefing transcript makes clear—was trying to rebut other charges that American favor for Pakistan had flown from the personal preferences of the President. In short, there are other places—and aspects other than inter-cine conflict between the White House and State—at which to look for the flaws and failure of American policy.

THE WASHINGTON POST

To See Ourselves...

By Anthony Lewis

LONDON.—Record of an imaginary press briefing in New Delhi by the prime minister's mythical foreign affairs adviser, Dr. Kishan Jha:

Gentlemen, this seems a useful time for us all to meet again. I am going to speak frankly, but you must not attribute anything said to me personally.

Lately there has been some misunderstanding of our attitude toward the United States. We have no ill feeling toward the United States. In fact, we regard her as a staunch friend of ours and certainly as one of the great democracies. Taking the Americas as a whole, the United States is one of the few countries that still hold to our system of free elections, and we value that.

Our disagreement is on a matter of principle—American policy in Indochina. We do not condemn. It is not for us to condemn, but...

About Aggression

Q. Dr. Jha, how can you say that the government does not condemn the United States? Just yesterday an official talked to correspondents about American "aggression" in Vietnam.

A. Well, I think we had better avoid the word aggression. It is emotionally charged. The point is that we do not feel our views on Indochina are a condemnation of any country or a condemnation of any people. They are just an expression of the belief that problems like those of Southeast Asia should not be solved by a resort to the use of force.

Q. The Americans would probably say that the other side resorted to force first.

A. Now sir, you know the answer to that, do you not. It is all a matter of degree, of scale. For example, in our recent unpleasantness with Pakistan we were responding to military action that had killed thousands of men, women and children and sent 11 million across our border as refugees; the actual hostilities have not produced a fraction of those casualties. But in Vietnam, whatever the guerrillas did at the beginning has been completely outbalanced by American bombing and shelling and chemicals.

But I think we should get back to basics here. Our position is that the United States, wherever the provocation it sees over there in Vietnam, was wrong when it took the decision on its own to respond with a major war. That is the way to international anarchy.

Q. Isn't it true that the American government has repeatedly tried to find a negotiated solution, Dr. Jha?

A. There have been these diplomatic moves that you speak of, yes. But the trouble is that the Americans are so impatient, so precipitate. These things take time, and it always seemed that the United States would start bombing or take some other action at just the wrong time. Americans are such an excitable people.

International Opinion

Concorde

The commercial test of selling the aircraft to the world airlines is crucial. Much depends on the market for supersonic travel at premium rates and the route patterns into which the aircraft can be most effectively fitted. Long-distance routes across the Atlantic and the Pacific are primarily indicated. But the facilities which the operators can secure thereon will depend on their reaching acceptable noise levels near airports.

The answer, we submit, must take into account the constantly reiterated Indian position that negotiations had to begin with Mujibur. Whether India figured realistically that otherwise negotiations would be meaningless, or whether it calculated cynically that President Yahya could not

Brandt's Peace Prize

and boom effects over land. This matter still needs attention.

—From the Daily Telegraph (London).

Brandt's Peace Prize

Brandt's policy has in many ways released some kind of political spring thaw in our part of the world. This is a Peace Prize with perspectives. Being awarded the Nobel Peace Prize means active support for his peace croaking work, and we have no doubt that it will help him in the years to come.

—From Arbeiderbladet (Oslo).

Background on Backgrounders

By Frank Lynn

NEW YORK.—Ron Ziegler, the White House press secretary, brought a guest briefier along with him last week for Mr. Ziegler's daily 4 p.m. briefing of newsmen on President Nixon's activities.

The guest was Henry A. Kissinger, the President's assistant for national security affairs, but that was not publicly known until Sen. Barry Goldwater, R., Ariz., identified Mr. Kissinger and inserted his briefing in the Congressional Record.

Like a visiting lecturer, Mr. Kissinger had stepped behind the podium in the mortuary-like West Wing briefing room and told 40 reporters that the United States had been working on a political settlement of the India-Pakistan conflict when India attacked Pakistan.

Mr. Kissinger, one of the most active aides on the briefing circuit, spent an hour detailing the varied diplomatic and military maneuvers in the crisis and responding to the newsmen's questions.

Within hours, radio, television and newspapers were telling the nation how unidentified "White House officials" viewed the conflict on the Asian subcontinent.

They were operating under an agreement with Mr. Ziegler that the information solicited at the "background" briefing could not be identified or directly quoted.

Four days earlier, operating under similar ground rules at a briefing, Joseph J. Sisco, an assistant secretary of state, had criticized India for expanding the India-Pakistan conflict but was identified only as a State Department official in news stories and broadcasts reporting his attack on India.

The incidents pointed up a growing controversy over the use of "backgrounders" by officials at all levels of government. The background sessions are used even more by governments in countries where the press is less independent than in this country. The backgrounders are in ef-

fect full-blown news conferences, with one major difference. The official conducting the news conference cannot be identified and thus is not directly responsible for what he said.

"Deep Background"

When information is very sensitive, officials often use the cloak of "deep background," a term developed during the Johnson administration. Newsmen who use such information are not supposed to attribute it to anyone, except perhaps the familiar "informed sources."

Newsmen have generally respected the "rules of the game." If a correspondent did what Sen. Goldwater did and named Mr. Kissinger as his source, he could have run the risk of having his news organization barred from such briefings in the future.

The controversy does not involve the relationship between individual reporters and government sources in which the informants risk their jobs by providing information that is often adverse to the administration in power. These contacts are generally initiated by reporters.

Benjamin C. Bradley, executive editor of The Washington Post, in a recent talk at Yale University, called for a boycott of backgrounders. He contended that "by accepting unattributed information, we are allowing ourselves to be used by the government."

Noting that the sessions cannot be kept secret in governmental, diplomatic and media circles because they involve so many newsmen, Mr. Bradley said that only the reader was kept in the dark.

In an interview, A. M. Rosenthal, managing editor of The New York Times, was also critical of the background sessions. He said such sessions were justifiable at times, but added that "the press had allowed this to go much too far."

"The backgrounder has become a way of life and often becomes an obstacle in the way of the flow of full information," Mr. Rosenthal said.

Bernard Levin From London:

A parliamentary committee has just recommended massive increases in the allowances for the royal family... Another committee has likewise come up with proposals for huge rises for MPs. Much bitter and ironic comment is being heard on both topics.

LONDON.—Consider two newspaper cartoons. The first depicts a scene outside an employment exchange (where the moon plays a role to draw the weekly drole): a queue of dispirited out-of-work shufflers slowly along. One group of them, however, looks familiar, as well they might: They are the Duke of Edinburgh, Prince Charles, the Duke of Gloucester and the Earl of Snowdon. At the curb an opulent limousine has drawn up: from it leans the queen, smiling broadly and waving a newspaper with the headline "Royal Pay Rise: 'Good news, ladies' she is shouting, 'everyone's back to my place.'"

The second cartoon is in two frames. The first shows a group of expectant diners eagerly contemplating a trolley which is being wheeled in by Anthony Barber, Chancellor of the Exchequer, dressed as a chef: On the trolley is a huge and succulent-looking pie, which has provoked a "dream-bubble" for the diners, labeled "tax cuts." In the second frame the pie has been opened, the bubble has burst, and the diners are looking crestfallen: Instead of the tax cuts, it is Mr. Edward Heath and Mr. Harold Wilson, who are emerging, drinking champagne, smoking cigars and flipping handfuls of money about.

And now for a word of explanation. A parliamentary committee, charged with looking into the expenses paid to the queen and other members of the royal family, has just recommended massive increases in their allowances. Another committee, given the job of looking into the pay of members of Parliament, has likewise come up with proposals for huge rises. Much oiled and tropic comment is being heard on both topics. Both proposals, however, will go through.

Now there are arguments of substance embedded in both subjects. What sort of reward do we want, how it ought to be paid, how many members of the royal family should be paid out of state funds—these are all matters of genuine concern. And likewise, the size of our MPs' pay and allowances (our legislators have been paid far worse than those of most other countries, and almost immeasurably worse than those of the United States), and

whether these should be increased at a time of national economic difficulty, with a million unemployed, these too, are questions that can be and are being, vigorously debated.

But to me the most fascinating aspect of both arguments is symbolized by the two cartoons. I have described. The point about the one of the queen and the royal family is that it would have been absolutely inconceivable, even in a radical news-sheet, only a dozen years ago. Not, mark you, that any untoward consequence would have followed from its publication: It has been first centuries or so since a Briton could have his head chopped off for insulting the monarch.

But when, towards the end of Victoria's reign, it was finally established that the monarch would never, in any circumstances, act except on the "advice" (which means instructions) of the government, so that the last vestige of royal interference or even initiative disappeared, the last serious opposition to royalty disappeared.

It would be an exaggeration to say that there is anything like a republican sentiment in Britain today. But what has happened in the last few years is indicated in that cartoon: The royals have fallen off their pedestal with a mighty thump, and are now subject to comment and criticism that would have been unthinkable earlier. This is partly the result of a general loosening of the old ties that bound us to respect authority, partly caused by a growing feeling that the old-style monarchy is fast becoming an anachronism, and partly due to the actions of the royal family themselves, who have deliberately stepped down into the market place (e.g., giving television interviews, and indeed cooperating in a massive television film of their life and work) and thus encouraged people to think of them without the invisible aura that used to hedge them round. But the upshot is that the place of the queen and her family in our national life is being questioned in a way that it has not been for years—and such cartoons now appear.

Meanwhile, there are our legislators, about to vote themselves, not to mention our politicians, lots more money. (An old view for what it is worth, is that if we ought to have it, but that at a time when financial sacrifice is being demanded from us all, and forcibly exacted from many, it would have been wiser to postpone the increase.) The cartoon suggesting that those who were hoping for tax cuts would not think pay-increases for MPs an adequate substitute is also, in its way, an interesting reflection of public opinion on the matter. It is traditional to say that it is traditional for the public to take a cynical view of their representatives. But in fact that is a fairly recent state of affairs. I believe that what has broken down the ancient and automatic respect that most voters used to have for their members of Parliament is not that the MPs' standards of integrity have fallen, for in fact they have quite certainly risen: It is the gradual spread of a belief that MPs are as helpless, in the face of an unrelenting, impersonal force of economic, geographical, history, international pressures—as is the most obscure and humble citizen. And if an MP can do no more in the way of running the country than any of these who put him into Parliament—so runs the argument—why should he be paid any more?

Perhaps that is a lot to balance on the first suppositions of two newspaper cartoons. But remember that all appearances have a single source. If attitudes to royalty and legislators have changed in the last decade more than in many decades previously, we can be sure that the changes will go further yet.

In the International Edition

Seventy-Five Years Ago
December 14, 1896

BARCELONA.—At the anarchist trial to-day the evidence given led to the disclosure of no new facts. Several of the accused, notably Nogue, Molas and Cullis, freely admitted their complicity in the bombing outrage and proclaimed themselves staunch Anarchists. Ascherl, however, who is one of the principal prisoners, has lost courage and wants to make a recantation of his Anarchist principles. The trial will end soon.

Fifty Years Ago
December 14, 1921

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Aid Issue
Day Windup

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13 (UPI).—J. Ellender, D., La., the Senate Appropriations Committee, dashed hopes of a definite early adjournment of Congress this week as he said today that he can resolve all the "loose ends" of the "aid package" by Friday. "But I am not sure I can stay here until Friday," he said.

He met earlier today with his counterpart in the House, George Mahon, D., to discuss the aid package. Mahon said that the House has passed a bill for foreign aid, but the Senate has not yet acted on it.

Sen. Mansfield and Sen. Fulbright, D., are the main opponents of the aid package. Mansfield said that the aid package is "a temporary measure" and that it does not include a statement of withdrawal of troops.

He canceled a trip to Europe because of the "further complicating" of the aid package. The aid package was passed by the House on Dec. 10 and the District of Columbia on Dec. 11.

Tops Poll
With 22%
Kennedy's 21

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13 (Reuters).—Edmund Muskie, of Maine, regained his lead over Democratic presidential candidates, but President Nixon still well ahead of most other candidates in a new poll.

The poll in September showed Kennedy with 22 percent and Muskie with 21 percent. Nixon's lead has narrowed to 41 percent. The poll also showed that 14 percent of voters favored Sen. Hubert H. Humphrey, the President and Democratic candidate.

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New Black
mic Group

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13 (NYT).—A group of nationally known black leaders, including the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr., are expected to meet in Cleveland, Ohio, to discuss the formation of a new black economic development group.

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Freeing Media
Of Cost Controls

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13 (UPI).—Senate and House negotiators refused today to exempt news media from wage-price controls. A Senate amendment to a bill granting the exemption as a means of protecting government procurement on First Amendment protections was jettisoned as conferees began drafting a compromise measure to send to President Nixon.

rd Says U.S.
Save Billion

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13 (UPI).—The Defense Dept. stepped down as the House today saying the Pentagon will save a billion dollars if it could shut down political interference in the defense budget.



WHEN ALL THE SAINTS COME MARCHING IN—Professor Dennis Gabor, 1971 Nobel Prize winner in physics, and his wife being served breakfast in bed by a be-candlec Lucias on St. Lucia day in Stockholm yesterday. As Jan Sjöby recently wrote in the Herald Tribune, on Dec. 13 candle-crowned Lucias proliferate in every village and town and leading hotels send their best-looking chambermaids singing down corridors to scare the wits out of unsuspecting tourists who wake up thinking they are in a Scandinavian heaven or some other place.

President Directs Assault
Costa Rica Foils 3 Hijackers
As Policemen Storm Jetliner

SAN JOSE, Costa Rica, Dec. 13 (Reuters).—President José Figueres, submachine gun in hand, directed the police yesterday in a battle aboard a jetliner with three men who were trying to hijack it to Cuba. One hijacker was killed and several people were injured, some when they jumped through bullet-shattered windows to the runway as the plane burst into flames.

The Nicaraguan Lanica Airlines jet left Managua, the capital of Nicaragua, with 54 persons aboard on a flight to Miami. The hijackers ordered the pilot to head for Cuba but shooting broke out, wounding a passenger. He was identified as Francisco Lobo, son of Nicaragua's agriculture minister.

The pilot asked the control tower of the airport here for permission to land and refuel. Permission was given, but the Nicaraguan government asked Costa Rican authorities to stop the plane from taking off. Armed policemen surrounded the plane and President Figueres went to the airport and promised the hijackers safe conduct to a country of their choice if they would free the passengers and crew.

The passengers, including Mr. Lobo, were released but the hijackers refused to let the crew leave. When a stewardess was heard screaming "I don't want to die," President Figueres ordered the police to assault the plane. Tear gas grenades fired through windows started a fire aboard as

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Foreign Minister
Of Bulgaria Dies
In Skiing Accident

SOFIA, Dec. 13 (UPI).—Bulgarian Foreign Minister Ivan Bashev, 56, was killed yesterday in a skiing accident on Mount Vitoshka near Sofia, the government announced today. The announcement said that searchers found Mr. Bashev's body at 5 a.m. today. Mr. Bashev had been foreign minister for nine years.

Mount Etna Spews Smoke
CATANIA, Sicily, Dec. 13 (UPI).—Mount Etna spewed forth dense clouds of black smoke from its central crater today. Volcanologists said that slight earth shocks yesterday in western Sicily might have caused the eruption of smoke and ash.

Italian Politicians Maneuver
To End Impasse on Presidency

ROME, Dec. 13 (UPI).—Parliament failed today in its seventh and eighth attempts to elect a new president of Italy. Politicians called new meetings to try to overcome a five-day deadlock.

Socialist Vice-Premier Francesco de Martino, supported by the largest Communist party in the West, polled 411 votes on the eighth ballot of 1,008 members of the Senate, Chamber of Deputies and 20 regional assemblies. This was 94 short of the required majority of 505.

Club Operator
In Paris in '20s,
Joe Zelli, Dies

NEW YORK, Dec. 13 (AP).—Joe Zelli, 83, who operated a popular Paris nightclub, the Royal Box in Montmartre, after World War I, died Saturday at his home in Hillsdale, N.Y. The club was frequented by artists and writers of the 1920s, including Ernest Hemingway, F. Scott Fitzgerald and Cole Porter. In the early 1930s, Mr. Zelli moved to New York, opening a club with the same name.

Born in Rome, Mr. Zelli served in the Italian Army in World War I. Afterward, he opened three restaurants in Tours, France, which was an American Army base for months after the armistice. Then he opened his vast and gaudy Montmartre enterprise.

House Approves
\$300,000 for a
Rome Hospital

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13 (AP).—The House has approved \$300,000 in planning and design money for a \$7.5 million American hospital in Rome, similar to the one in Paris.

The money is in the foreign aid bill not expected to get final action by Congress until early next year because of the House-Senate deadlock over foreign aid with Congress pressing to adjourn next week for this year.

Atom Spy Fuchs Gets
East German Medal

EAST BERLIN, Dec. 13 (Reuters).—Prof. Klaus Fuchs, the physicist who leaked Britain's atomic secrets to Russia, was today awarded East Germany's "Fatherland Order of Merit in Gold."

German-born Prof. Fuchs, 69, a naturalized Briton, settled in East Germany after serving nine years of a 14-year sentence passed on him by a British court. He is now deputy director of East Germany's Institute for Nuclear Research at Rossendorf, near Dresden.

New Radio-TV Setup to Link
All Greece for the First Time

ATHENS, Dec. 13 (NYT).—The European subsidiary of the American Northrop Corp. has installed a \$125-million radio-television network for the Greek government that will link the entire country for the first time to the state-run broadcasting system and enable it to beam shortwave radio programs throughout the world.

Papal Vicar Asks
Priests, Nuns to
Observe Rules

ROME, Dec. 13 (NYT).—The Pope's vicar for Rome today announced a tightening of discipline among the thousands of priests, friars and nuns in the city. In a message to Rome's clergy and religious orders, Angelo Cardinal dell'Acqua urged them to "offer an example of an austere life and of clear withdrawal from any compromise with evil, whatever its form."

The cardinal vicar reminded ecclesiastics of the disciplinary norms that are in force in the Pope's own diocese. In particular, the cardinal said, it was "urgent at the present moment" to insist that priests wear clerical garb in public in a dignified way and stay away from theaters and movies unless expressly authorized to attend by their superiors.

Cardinal dell'Acqua's stern appeal for ecclesiastical austerity followed a series of incidents involving priests and nuns here that were prominently reported by local newspapers.

Rome Science Academy
Bestows Two Prizes

ROME, Dec. 13 (UPI).—The National Academy of Sciences presented its Antonio Feltrinelli International Science Prizes yesterday to an Italo-American who helped develop the atomic bomb and to one of France's best-known mathematicians.

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London Theater

By John Walker

LONDON, Dec. 13 (IHT).—Seven months ago, when James Saunders's brilliant double-bill written for The Other Company, "Games After Liverpool," was briefly glimpsed in London, I wrote that these two marvellous new plays, adventurous and experimental, deserved and demanded a wider showing...

It is a sad comment on the state of London's theater that we have had to wait so long to be able to experience the plays again. And it is only now possible because Ed Berman's communal arts organization Inter-Action, of which The Other Company is a part, has opened its own theater, the elegant and delightful Almost Free Theatre in Rupert Street, just off Shaftesbury Avenue...

On second viewing, Mr. Saunders's plays seem even more impressive. Indeed, they are among the few works I could watch night after night without the risk of boredom. I don't know which I admired more: "After Liverpool," a series of funny and painful dialogues for two couples, or "Games" which develops from a straightforward piece of protest theater about the Vietnam war into a complex debate on the responsibility of actors to society...

In the former, Mr. Saunders is concerned with our misuse of language, our deliberate withdrawal from communication with each other. He compresses what went wrong with a relationship into one stizzled word ("I... I... I") and reveals the equivalence of the lover's two questions "Do you love me?" and "Was I good?" Words are put to perverse use, as a means to hurt, as an aid to self-esteem, as a defensive screen behind which a person can hide. As one character says to another, in words that President Nixon might care to ponder: "It's not communication. It's Ping Pong."

Arts Agenda

The Tamburitzans of Duquesne University of Pittsburgh, a 45-member group mainly of undergraduates specializing in the music and dances of Slavic and Balkan peoples, will make their first appearance in France at the Théâtre des Champs-Élysées in Paris from Dec. 17 to Jan. 6.

Benjamin Britten is working on an opera based on Thomas Mann's "Death in Venice," according to the publishers, Faber Music Ltd., in London. The first performance is planned for the Aldeburgh Festival in 1973, under the composer's direction.

An exhibit entitled "Fifty Years of Polish Medals," comprising some 380 items from the museum in Wrocław, is on view at the Musée Monétaire, 11 Quai Conti, Paris, to Feb. 5.

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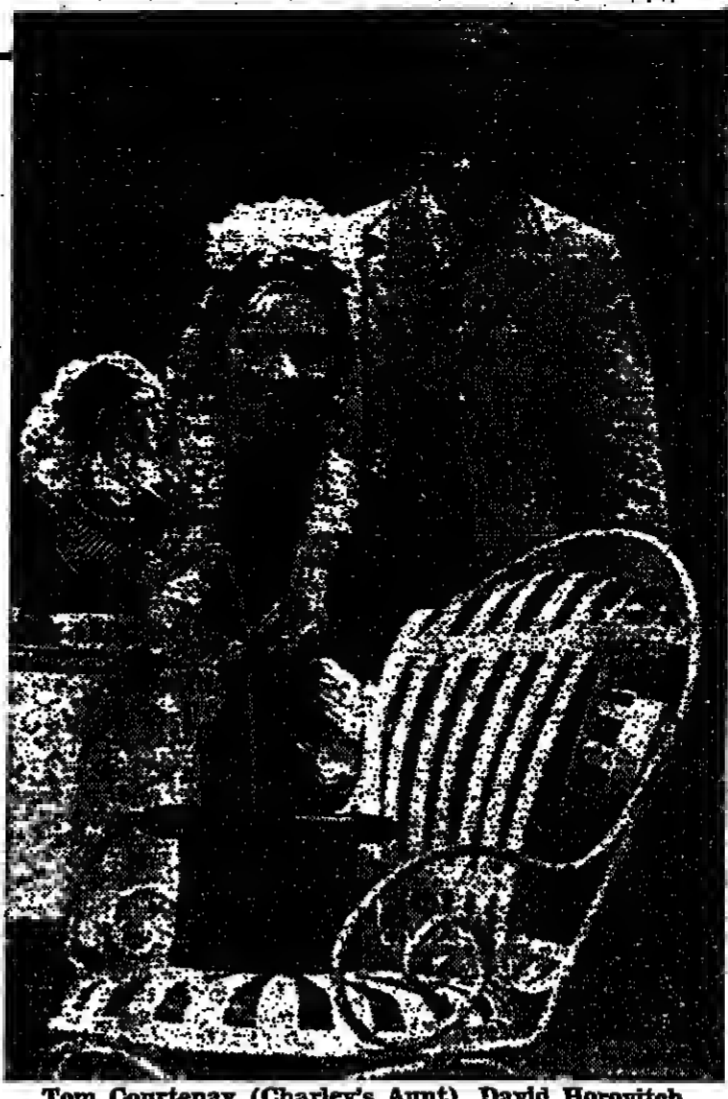
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Tom Courtenay (Charley's Aunt), David Horovitch.

Brandon Thomas's famous farce "Charley's Aunt" at the Apollo is beginning to break a bit, although there is plenty of laughter once Tom Courtenay gets into the ridiculous get-up of an old lady and prances about the stage. But Abraham Murray's direction is rather slow so that the longeurs seem even longer than usual and the plot, relying less upon the logic of the best farces than unlikely coincidences, even more preposterous. Still, at this season of goodwill to all, it makes light and enjoyable Christmas fare.

At the Greenwich Theatre, Peter Nichols directs a revival of his funny and tender "A Day in the Death of Joe Egg," one of the best British plays of recent years. There is less of the quick-fire vaudeville approach of the play's West End production of four years ago, which is an improvement. Mr. Nichols treads sure-footedly in sensitive areas in his depiction of a young couple whose life centers around their spiteful and apparently mindless child. As in his more recent work, Mr. Nichols is both serious and comic about a marriage gone sour. Excellently acted, particularly by Ray Brooks and Caroline Mortimer as the husband and wife, the production deserves to transfer to the West End.

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U.S.S.R. Ganging Up on Black Caviar - Nature, Pollution, Dams

By Robert G. Kaiser

BAKU, U.S.S.R. (WP).—The news about black caviar is bleak. Not only is there less than there used to be, but in the years ahead, caviar may just disappear. If it survives, it will be staggeringly expensive.

Caviar is a victim of nature's tricks and man's folly. In roughly equal proportion, nature's contribution has been to shrink the great Caspian Sea, which is now about 8 feet lower (and 40,000 square kilometers smaller) than it was 30 years ago. The Caspian falls about 3 inches a year, destroying spawning grounds for the sturgeon which produce caviar as the water evaporates.

Man's contribution has been industry and electricity. Industrial wastes have polluted the Caspian and the rivers which feed it, and electric power stations have blocked the flow of these rivers. The spawning grounds of the sturgeon are filthy or unreachable. The Volga, the largest of the Caspian tributaries, once produced vast quantities of caviar and now produces none. Its banks are heavily industrialized, and it has been dammed repeatedly for electric power stations. According to one Soviet expert, the Volga brings 17.5 million cubic meters of industrial waste into the Caspian Sea each year.

The production of caviar is a natural wonder. The sturgeon which provide it take from seven to 10 years to reach egg-bearing maturity. These fish—which grow as long as 14 feet—normally live in the Caspian Sea, itself a natural wonder which is salty in the south, but almost salt-free at its northern extremities. The temperature of its waters varies widely, but it has no tides.

Left to its own devices, the mature sturgeon would make an annual pilgrimage to its birthplace to lay its eggs, and return to the sea. But the sturgeon can no longer resort to its own device, because the way home is blocked. Apart from the dams, many of the tributaries of the Caspian, have become unreachable because of the falling water level of the sea (and, by consequence, of the rivers too). "Fish feel the temperature and the depth of the water," the director of the Southern Caspian Fishing and Water Resources Administration explains. "If it isn't just right, they won't go up the river."

This renewed civil servant, Kadzhikaba Abassov, is one of the Soviet Union's precious caviar. Mr. Abassov's agency is raising 12 to 18 million sturgeon a year in three hatcheries. Of these, only five or 6 percent will survive to maturity, and some of them will be killed by pollution in the Caspian.

Artificially raised sturgeon are put into the sea near the mouths of the few remaining clean tributaries. Because they were born in a hatchery, these fish lack the homing instinct which would bring a natural sturgeon back to its birthplace. So it is problematical whether the fish will find their way up the river. If they do, though, nothing is left to chance.

Naturally, a female sturgeon spawns in shoaly water, leaving the zone that becomes (with straining) black caviar. The eggs must be freed within 48 hours or they will hatch. But fishermen now catch the sturgeon in nets as they go up river, before they have laid any eggs. These captive fish are injected with hormones which induce speedy birth, while the sturgeon are still in captivity. Virtually all Soviet caviar is now produced in this way, according to Mr. Abassov.

These scientific methods maximize the caviar catch, but they cannot compensate for the losses from pollution and the falling water level. Mr. Abassov says that the hatched sturgeon are smaller and produce less caviar than the other fish. Overall production of caviar has plummeted since the 1930s, when the tributaries of the Caspian produced more than 2,000 tons. The current statistic is kept secret, but officials acknowledge that it is less than a third of that.

Ironically, Mr. Abassov believes that the number of Caspian sturgeon is larger today than ever before, thanks to a 1968 ban on catching sturgeon in the sea, and to a slight reduction of industrial pollution. If these sturgeon could find natural spawning grounds, the amount of available caviar would be substantially larger than in the hountiful 1930s. But unless the water level of the sea rises and further measures against pollution succeed, these fish will die without ever laying eggs.

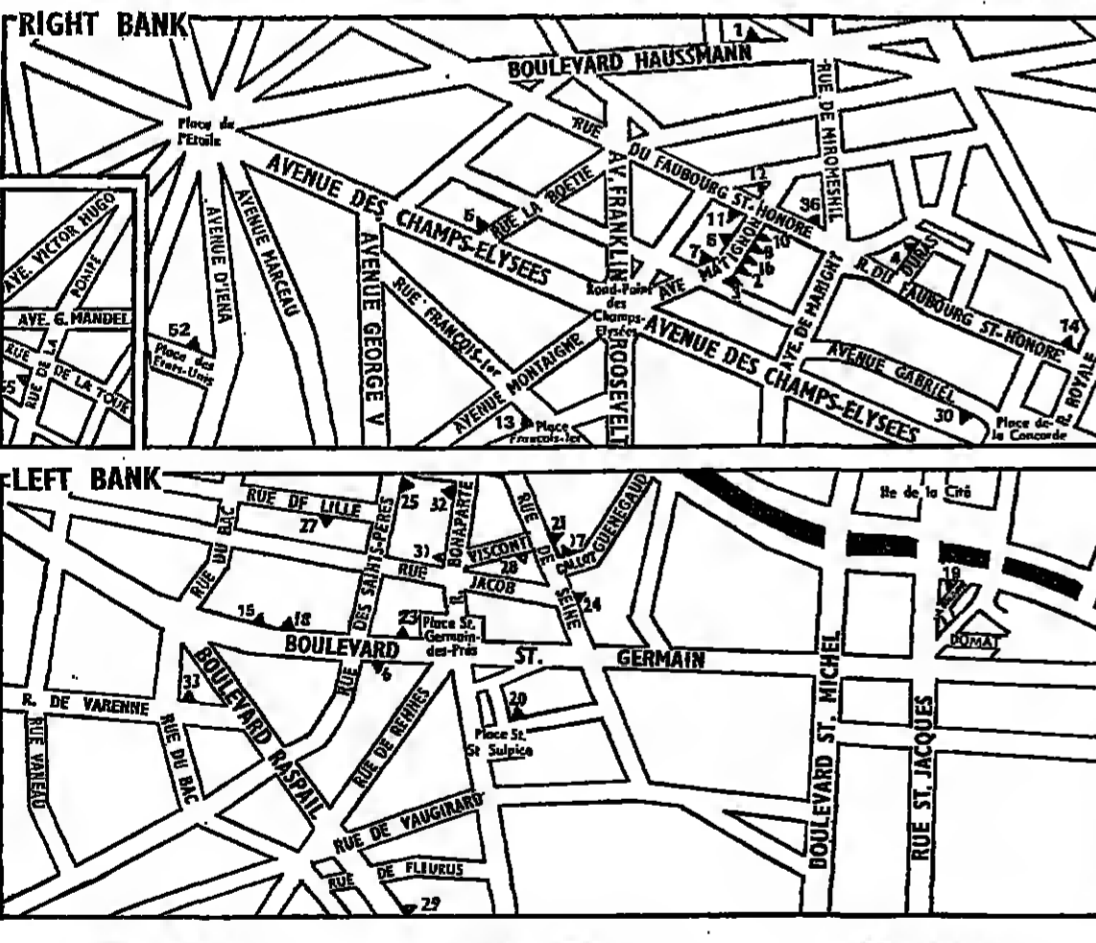
The Russians are planners on a grand scale, and they have a plan—still tentative—for saving the Caspian. The scheme is to divert waters from rivers in northernmost Russia and Siberia into the Volga and other tributaries of the Caspian. In effect, they are talking about turning rivers around a mammoth and expensive task which might prove unsuccessful even when completed, as scientists here have acknowledged.

There is also a school of thought here, in Baku, capital of Azerbaijan—that the natural forces which have brought the water level down in recent decades may soon be reversed—by an act of nature—and the sea will fill back up. "It could happen," Mr. Abassov says with a hopeful look.

While waiting, caviar fanciers will have to adjust to certain facts of economic life. The price of fresh caviar sold to foreigners in Moscow for hard currency (it is not available here to ordinary citizens) went up again on Oct. 1 by about 50 percent. It now costs \$40 a pound.

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Art in Paris: Folon's Inventions

Folon, Musée des Arts Décoratifs, 107 Rue de Rivoli, Paris 1, to Feb. 10.

The peculiarly nightmarish inventions of Folon's imagination have produced a world in which the commanding arrow and the imperative traffic light have become imprinted in the very faces of the passerby. Typical is a New Yorker cover he did showing a man looking at the moon. Both are reflected in the water, but the reflection alters both—the man, square-headed and square-shouldered. Is it humor? In a sense it opens the usual door to humor, but when you walk through you discover there is no floor. Anonymity, regimentation, the obsessional environment of the modern city are some of Folon's themes, and he handles them with a simplified graphic style that suits the subject well.



hibition of his work at the Museum of Modern Art last year. This large collection (158 pieces) of graphics by Dall ranges over the period between 1934 and the present. It is entitled "Homage to a Dürer" partly because Dall has produced some rather facile variants on a few works by Dürer (as well as other artists of the Renaissance). How daring the execution, and how poor the substance! One cannot help admiring and deploring nonetheless.

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Trade Gains Cut in Oct. in U.K., France

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\$5 Million Surplus Linked to U.S. Strike

LONDON, Dec. 13 (AP).—Britain made a profit of \$5 million in the trade with the rest of the world in November...

French Surplus Narrows

PARIS, Dec. 13 (Reuters).—France showed a \$80 million trade surplus for November...

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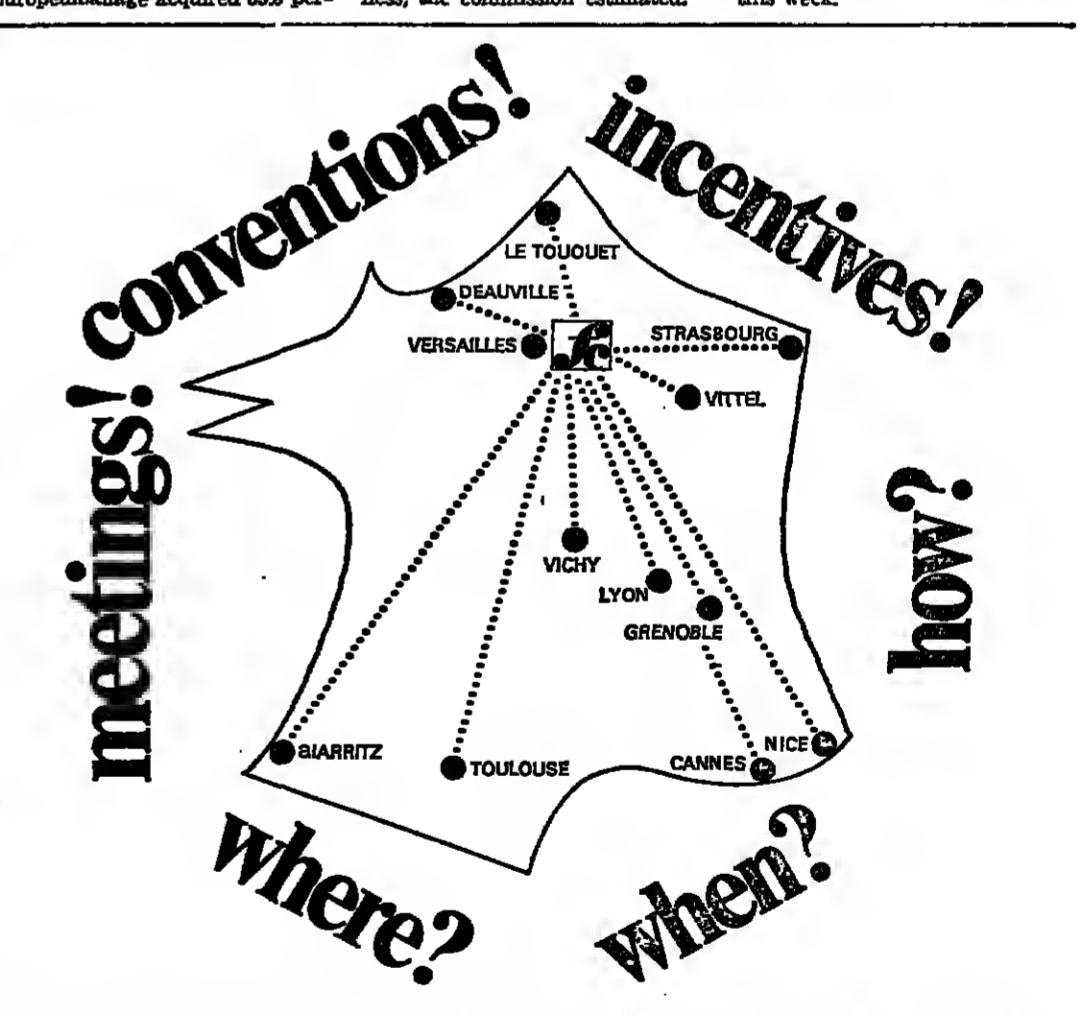
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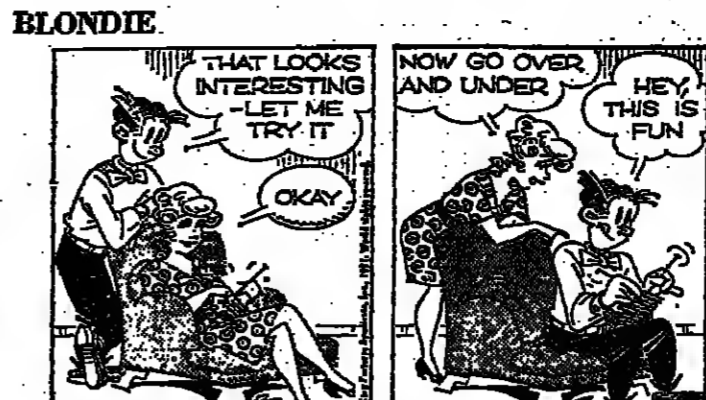
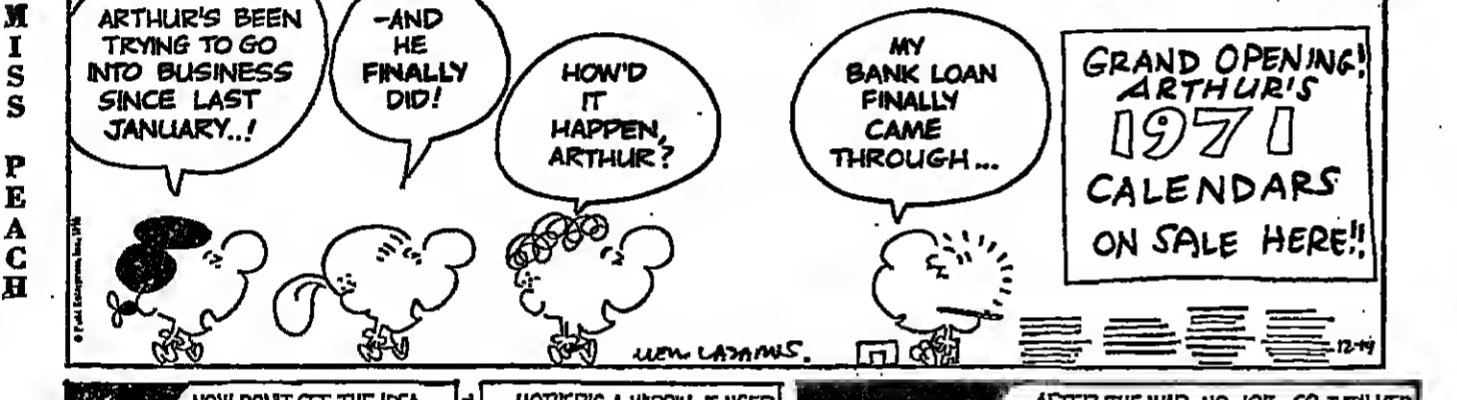
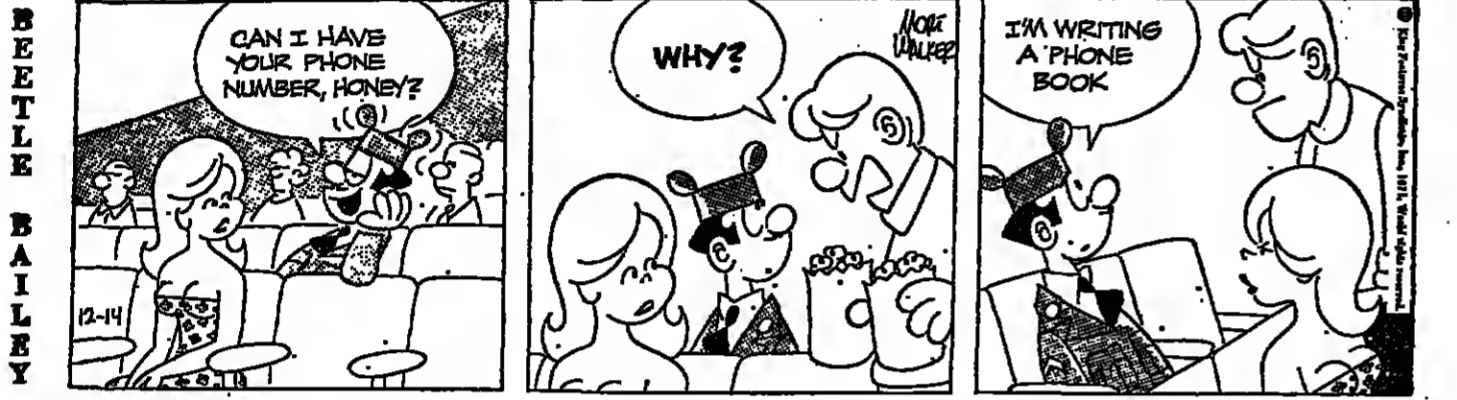
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BRIDGE

On the diagramed deal between Italy and Switzerland from the 14th round of the European open bridge championships...

North and South were Benito Bianchi and Giuseppe Messina, who have long been candidates for places on Italy's famous Blue Team.

North-South could have made the first 10 tricks in no-trump, but it was hard to play no-trump in the face of vigorous spade bidding...

South drew trumps in three rounds, and played two more rounds. This was a good idea up to a point, as it put some pressure on West.

In the replay, the Swiss North-South reached the same contract of five diamonds and were doubled.

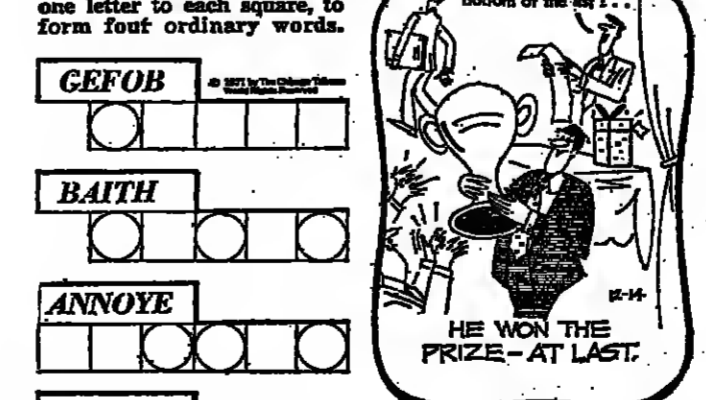
Bridge score table showing North and South hands with cards and scores.

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Unscramble these four Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

BOOKS

The Art of Reproduction

Reviewed by John Canaday

THE fame of three illuminated manuscripts and a great Oriental counterpart, the picture scroll, would make critical comment on the originals redundant here even if their celestial aesthetic level did not make it impertinent.

"The Tale of Genji Scroll" with text by Ivan Morris (Kodansha, distributed by Harper & Row, \$200) presents a slight preliminary embarrassment since I have seen none of the remaining pieces of this 12th-century Japanese masterpiece.

There are 50 facsimile sheets in this elaborately produced book that opens to a width of three and a half feet. You will need a stout table to rest it on while reading the commentary, which includes an agile recapitulation of Lady Murasaki's interminable landmark novel of the 11th century.

Both sides were vulnerable. The bidding: South West North East 1 ♠ 2 ♣ 3 ♠ 4 ♠ 5 ♠ 6 ♠ 7 ♠ 8 ♠ 9 ♠ 10 ♠ 11 ♠ 12 ♠

These disadvantages would not have to mean defeat if it were not for another, that a manuscript can be opened only to a page (just as a scroll can be unrolled only a bit at a time) and even this fragment of an extraordinarily vulnerable work of art must be entombed in a glass case.

Otherwis, "The Cloisters Apocalypse" stands up under the ultimate test of page-by-page comparison with the original. The pages are bound in sequence in one volume with the text in a second.

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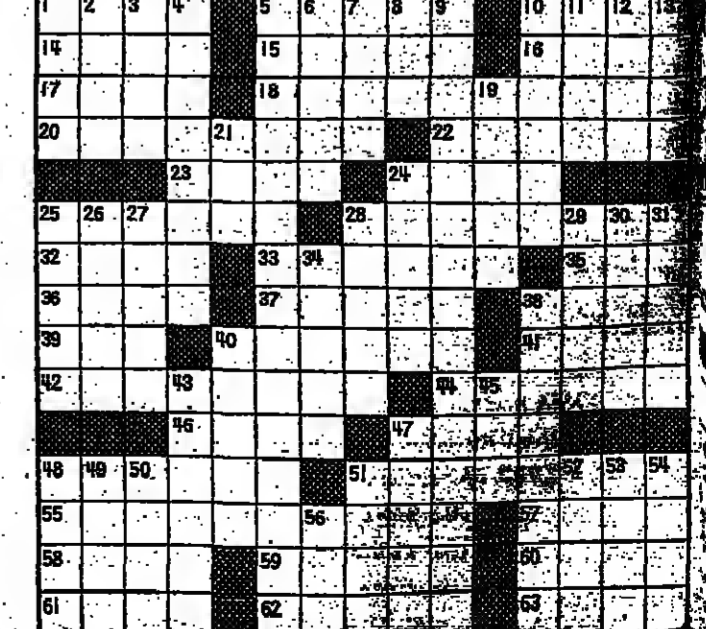
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CROSSWORD

By Will Wren

- ACROSS: 1 Soft stuff, at times; 5 Herb; 10 Salad ingredient; 14 She was "Born Free"; 15 Pineapple; 16 Nimbus; 17 Wreaths; 18 Symbol of plenty; 20 Fellini film; 22 Castle denizens; 23 Between raw and medium; 24 --- and that; 25 Diverse; 28 Allende's people; 32 U.S. Indian; 33 "No man is an..."; 35 Monk or...; 36 Monk or...; 37 River of China; 38 Pain; 39 Not identified; 40 Island of Society; 41 Untamated; 42 Boston event; 44 Absorbs fervidly; 46 Long walk; 47 Ye... Tea Shoppe; 48 Familiarize; 51 Adds sugar; 55 Deceptive; 57 Adjective suffix; 58 Injurious; 59 Among; Prefix; 60 Oz-story dog; 61 Loch; 62 Petrarch's love; 63 "... were Paradise..."; 19 Opt; 11 Talks; 12 Came to rest; 13 Neckpieces; 19 Minor; 21 Girl's name; 24 Title in "Macbeth"; 25 Soft palate; 26 Theater of a kind; 27 Hazards; 28 Irish county; 29 Cornmeal deposit; 30 Indian leader; 31 Shear; 32 Dinah; 38 Liking; 40 "As... goes..."; 43 Beach gleanings; 45 American humorist; 47 Proprietor; 48 Sign; 49 Split; 50 Wife of Gairis; 51 In... (in place); 52 College course; 53 Pact name in "Children's Hour"; 54 Polk; 56 Genetic initials



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MOBILE, Mo., Dec. 13 (AP)—Stenerud's 16-yard touchdown pass yesterday gave City Chiefs to the Oakland Raiders...

Chiefs and Pride at Stake in Redskins, Rams

By William Gildea
ON Dec. 13 (AP), Washington Redskins and the Los Angeles Rams...

Standings

Table with columns for Conference, Division, and various team statistics.

UPI Votes Rusher Marino Top Back, Top Player of '71

NEW YORK, Dec. 13 (NYT)—Ed Marinaro of Cornell, runner-up in the voting for the Heisman Trophy...



Ed Marinaro

UPI Results
Miss Gould
Dec. 13 (UPI)—Year-old swimming Miss Gould was named...

Advertisements for Paris Amusements, Moulin Rouge, and other entertainment venues.



HOLD THAT LINE—Bob Pointer, at 465 pounds, is a starting defensive tackle at Santa Barbara City College.

Black Hawks Extend Lead By Beating North Stars, 5-3

NEW YORK, Dec. 13 (UPI)—The Chicago Black Hawks drove Minnesota goalie Gump Worsley from the nets in a five-goal first-period rampage...

NHL Fund Dips as Brawl Market Declines

By Gerald Ekanazi
NEW YORK, Dec. 13 (NYT)—The frenetic, often violent world of hockey has been in a state of virtual tranquility...

Sports Shorts: Nixon Loses Count

At the annual Lambert luncheon in New York City, coach Joe Paterno of Penn State accepted the Lambert Trophy...

Beat Hawks for 21st Straight Lakers Shatter NBA Record

INGLEWOOD, Calif., Dec. 13 (AP)—The Los Angeles Lakers barely broke a sweat as they set a National Basketball Association record of 21 consecutive victories last night.

Cavaliers Put Austin Carr on Disabled List
CLEVELAND, Dec. 13 (AP)—The Cleveland Cavaliers placed rookie Austin Carr on the injured list...

Goalby Wins Bahamas Golf By a Stroke

From Wire Dispatches
FREEPORT, Bahamas, Dec. 13.—Bob Goalby holed out from a sand-trap on the seventh hole yesterday and went on to fire a 70 to outlast George Archer...

Italy Is Victor In Kings Tennis

ANCONA, Italy, Dec. 13 (AP)—Italy won the Kings Cup European indoor tennis championship by defeating Spain, 2-1, yesterday in the final round.

NHL Standings table with columns for East Division and West Division.

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISEMENTS section containing various job and service listings.

Art Buchwald

Plan B

WASHINGTON.—In my last column I revealed the Republican game plan for 1972. Basically it was quite simple. Since the Democrats own the telephone company \$1,900,000, the phone company will pull out all their lines in Miami, and it will be impossible to contact anyone on the Democratic ticket for president.



Buchwald

Plan B was revealed to me by Mr. Kent Corey of the San Fernando Valley Democratic Association, who got it straight from Henry Kissinger's 10-year-old son when he was visiting Disneyland.

This is how Plan B will work. The Democrats will meet in Miami in July. The phone bill will be paid by royalties from Howard Hughes' autobiography, and the convention will begin in good spirits and fellowship.

On the second day of the convention, just as the nominations are getting under way, President Nixon will decide to address the Democratic convention as he did the AFL-CIO convention last month.

The President will announce through his press secretary, Ron Ziegler, that he would like to explain his economic program to the Democratic convention. He will have Ziegler assure the country that he is not going to the

convention for any political motives, but as President of the United States. . . .

All Mr. Nixon's advisers will warn him not to go, pointing out that he will be addressing a hostile audience who will probably give him a very bad reception. Nixon will reply, "I am used to hostile conventions in Miami, and I will not be intimidated. The President of the United States should be able to go anywhere anytime."

Larry O'Brien, chairman of the Democratic party, will receive word of Nixon's plans in horror. Nixon's advance man will tell O'Brien he wants the band to play "Hail to the Chief" when the President enters. The hall O'Brien will talk of this (what he can't admit is that because of the lack of funds the Democrats couldn't afford to hire a band.)

The President will arrive sans "Hail to the Chief" and go directly to the podium. He will throw away the prepared speech and start talking extemporaneously, telling the Democrats what he has done for the country and for the economy. Mayor Daley will start booing, and pretty soon everyone in the hall will hiss and catcall. . . .

Obviously to the boos, the President will elench his fists and continue a list of his achievements.

Then at the conclusion of his talk, the President will step down from the podium and start shaking hands with the delegates.

Larry O'Brien will try to gavel the meeting back to order, and he will say, "Can we now get back to nominating our candidate?"

This will cause laughter in the hall. President Nixon will "hail" leave, his face grim and his lips pursed.

But all over the United States the American public will be shocked that anyone could treat the President of the United States this way, and Nixon will pick up 12 points in the Gallup poll and assure his re-election. I was skeptical that the Republicans would do anything like this, so I called a source at the White House, who confirmed that there was a Plan B. "If it worked with George Meany," he said, "why shouldn't it work with Larry O'Brien?"

3d, 4th-Century Coins Found in Yugoslavia

SMEDEREVSKA PALANKA, Yugoslavia, Dec. 13 (AP).—Two clay jugs containing 1,282 silver and copper coins dating from the 3d and 4th centuries have been unearthed by workers digging in this town on the Danube. The coins were minted in several towns of the Balkan Peninsula, a spokesman for the national museum said.

A 'Different' 18-Year-Old Enters Yale

By Marc Charney

NEW HAVEN, Conn. (AP).—Michael Grost, like many other 18-year-olds, is immersing himself in the first year of life in an undergraduate college dorm. But not as a freshman.

Grost, just turned 18, is well on his way to a PhD in advanced mathematics at Yale. And he's enthusiastic about this year because it will be the first time in eight years that he will be going to school "with students my own age."

He liked the graduate students with whom he lived last year, Grost says, "but now I'm older . . . I value my social life. I think I've been getting along quite well here."

Grost grew up as a celebrated child prodigy who was catapulted straight from grade school into Michigan State University just before he turned 17. In the fall of 1964, he had his bachelor's degree after 3 1/2 years of college and by March, 1970, at the age of 16, he had earned a master's degree.



Michael Grost, at 14, when he was studying at Michigan State University.

On the walls in Grost's sparsely decorated dormitory room are abstract prints by modern artists—Matisse, Kandinsky, Jackson Pollock—and a garish movie poster from the 1950s. Grost says his reading tastes range from Shakespeare to what he calls "popular culture," mystery novels and science fiction.

But even the popular books, he says, illustrate his bent for the precise and the abstract, the life of the mind, what he calls "interior human creations."

Grost's parents discovered his formidable intellectual power by the time he was 4, when he was reading to his mother at their East Lansing, Mich., home and she was teaching him arithmetic.

"When I was in grade school," Grost says, "I was constantly under-challenged." So when he was not quite 11, his parents enrolled him at MSU in a specially supervised program, taking care to shield him from too many interviews and too much public attention.

PEOPLE: Jackie Onassis—Teacher's Aide

Jackeline Onassis served secretly as a volunteer last Spring and early summer in East Harlem, working with ghetto children who had been neglected or abused by drug-addicted mothers.



Christina Bolker

Mrs. Onassis's identity was easy to conceal from the children—180 three and four-year-olds—too young to recognize her. To them, she was just a pretty lady who came to sit on the floor and build blocks with them or smear finger paints. Jackie kept her work so secret that even her secretary, Nancy Tuckerman, wasn't told.

Still with the Onassis, Art's daughter Christina celebrated her 21st birthday Saturday night and yesterday came into her share of the \$75 million trust fund set up by daddy for her and her brother.

pressures which are now seriously affecting her health. At my suggestion, she has gone to London to see her doctor and, hopefully, resolve family problems. Christina is a young woman and should not be alienated from her father."

In Norwich, England, a man has advertised in the local paper for a human skeleton—just a Christmas present for my medical-student son." The family name of father and son is Coffin.

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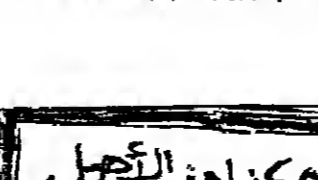
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